

## Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

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### **26-18. Increase the proportion of persons who need alcohol and/or illicit drug treatment and received specialty treatment for abuse or dependence in the past year.**

#### **26-18a. Illicit drug treatment.**

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| <b>National Data Source</b>                                | National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) SAMHSA.   |
| <b>State Data Source</b>                                   | National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) SAMHSA.   |
| <b>Healthy People 2000 Objective</b>                       | Not applicable.  |
| <b>Changes since the 2000 Publication</b>                  | New subobjective (see Comments).   |
| <b>Measure</b>   | Percent.   |
| <b>Baseline (Year)</b>                                     | 18 (2002)  |
| <b>Target</b>  | 24   |
| <b>Target-Setting Method</b>                               | Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup.<br><br>For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.   |
| <b>Numerator</b>   | Number of persons aged 12 years and older needing and receiving specialty treatment for illicit drugs.   |
| <b>Denominator</b>   | Number of persons aged 12 years and older.   |
| <b>Population Targeted</b>                                 | U.S. civilian noninstitutionalized population.   |
| <b>Questions Used To Obtain the National Baseline Data</b> | From the 2002 National Survey on Drug Use and Health:<br><br>➤ <i>Have you ever received treatment or counseling for your use of alcohol or any drug, not counting cigarettes?</i><br>1 Yes<br>2 No<br><br>➤ <i>During the past 12 months, that is, since [DATE], have you received treatment or counseling for your</i> |

*use of alcohol or any drug, not counting cigarettes?*

1 Yes

2 No

- *During the past 12 months when you received treatment, was the treatment for alcohol use only, drug use only, or both alcohol and drug use?*

1 Alcohol use only

2 Drug use only

3 Both alcohol and drug use

- *During the past 12 months, have you received treatment for your [Problem] in a hospital overnight as an inpatient?*

1 Yes

2 No

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- *Was the treatment you received in a hospital overnight as an inpatient for your alcohol use, your drug use, or both?*

1 Alcohol use

2 Drug use

3 Both alcohol and drug use

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- *During the past 12 months, have you received treatment for your [Problem] in a residential drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility where you stayed overnight?*

1 Yes

2 No

- *Was the treatment you received in a residential drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility where you stayed overnight for your alcohol use, your drug use, or both?*

1 Alcohol use

2 Drug use

3 Both alcohol and drug use

- *During the past 12 months, have you received treatment for your [problem] in a drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility as an outpatient?*

1 Yes

2 No

- *Was the treatment you received in a drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility as an outpatient for your alcohol use, your drug use, or both?*

1 Alcohol use

2 Drug use

3 Both alcohol and drug use

**Expected Periodicity** Annual.

**Comments** Specialty treatment is treatment received at drug or alcohol rehabilitation facilities (inpatient or

outpatient), hospitals (inpatient only), or mental health centers. It excludes treatment at an emergency room, private doctor's office, self-help group, prison or jail, or as an outpatient.

An individual is defined as needing treatment for a drug problem if he or she was dependent on or abused drugs or received specialty treatment for drugs in the past 12 months.

Objective 26-18 moved from developmental to measurable at the Healthy People 2010 Midcourse Review. The objective text was revised from "reduce the treatment gap for illicit drugs in the general population" to the current wording. Two subobjectives were created, focusing on illicit drug treatment only, and alcohol and illicit drug treatment.

For some measures, data do not meet the criteria for statistical reliability, data quality, or confidentiality and have been suppressed. Information on suppression of data for the major Healthy People 2010 data systems has been published in a *Healthy People Statistical Note*.<sup>1</sup>

See Part C for a description of NSDUH and Appendix A for focus area contact information.

## References

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